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Application of: Brian C. Miller et al.  
Serial Number: 10/071,354  
Filed: February 8, 2002  
Title: Chemically Modified Nonwoven Articles and Method For  
Producing the Same  
Group Art Unit: 1771  
Examiner: Befumo, Jenna Leigh

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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This reply is in response to the Final Office Action dated February 24, 2004. Claims 1,  
3, 5, 6, and 8-29 were rejected.

Applicants have amended claims 1, 5-6, 8-10, 12-14, and 17-29. Applicants have  
cancelled claims 3 and 11. Thus, claims 1, 5-6, 8-10, and 12-29 are currently pending in the  
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